

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:

Virginia

COUNTY:

Richmond (city)

FOR NPS USE ONLY

ENTRY NUMBER

DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:

Richmond National Battlefield Park

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

(headquarters location) 3215 East Broad Street

CITY OR TOWN:

Richmond

STATE

Virginia

23223

CODE

51

COUNTY:

City of Richmond

CODE

760

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

(Check One)

- ☐ District ☒ Building
☐ Site ☒ Structure
☐ Object

OWNERSHIP

- ☒ Public
☐ Private
☐ Both

Public Acquisition:

- ☐ In Process
☐ Being Considered

STATUS

- ☒ Occupied
☒ Unoccupied
☐ Preservation work
In progress

ACCESSIBLE
TO THE PUBLIC

- Yes:
☒ Restricted
☐ Unrestricted
☐ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☒ Agricultural ☐ Government ☒ Park
☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☒ Private Residence
☐ Educational ☐ Military ☐ Religious
☐ Entertainment ☐ Museum ☐ Scientific

- ☐ Transportation ☐ Comments
☐ Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:

Department of the interior; National Park Service

STREET AND NUMBER:

18th and C Streets, NW

CITY OR TOWN:

Washington, DC

STATE:

DC 20240

CODE

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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:

Hanover County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

Hanover

STATE

Virginia

CODE

51

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:

- ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

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STATE:

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CONDITION	(Check One)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins
	(Check One)		(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered		<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

RICHMOND BATTLEFIELDS

List of Classified Structures

A. Earthworks

There are eleven areas which contain portions of the inner and outer defense lines around Richmond. Most of these have deteriorated to less than one-half their original height. With one exception they remain unaltered. Fort Hoke was altered as a CCC project for an exemplary fortifications display. The remainder are of both Union and Confederate origin and are typical for the period. See attached picture (sample).

B. Monuments

Approximately 80 concrete markers 2½ feet high intertwine the battlefield drive. These were erected by veterans of the various battles and commemorative organizations. (See attached picture.)

C. Watt House (Springfield Plantation) Building No. 5

Original site, restoration work completed, altered interior. Occupied by the Watts prior to the 1862 Campaign for Richmond. This middle class farm house was the site of Porter's headquarters and hospital, and of Hood's breakthrough on June 27, 1862. No building number.

D. Garthright House Building No. 6

Badly deteriorated, partly burned. (Presently being restored.) Original site, interior altered, mid-19th century. Two periods of construction. Middle class farm home. Used as a hospital during Grant-Lee conflict at Cold Harbor. No building number.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian | ☐ 16th Century | ☐ 18th Century | ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century | ☐ 17th Century | ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phil. | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Italian | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

From the onset of the Civil War until its end in 1865, Richmond, Va., as the Capital of the Confederate States was the objective of seven major "On to Richmond" drives. After McClellan's failure in June of 1862 the defenders of the city sought and obtained a nearly continuous circle of defenses around their city. By 1864 the defenses were impregnable. Only after the fall of Petersburg was Richmond abandoned and set on fire in order to destroy supplies.

At the onslaught of the Civil War Richmond itself was a social, industrial and medical center of the South. However, the surrounding area was primarily farm land. Most of the native tree cover had been destroyed. Fortifications and housing for soldiers often actually suffered from a lack of timber. Today most open areas are heavily timbered or have been developed for housing or industry. The battlefield area has become the suburbs of Richmond.

Dowdey, Clifford, The Seven Days, Little, Brown & Co., 1964.

Walker, J. A., War of the Rebellion, Records of the Union and Confederate Armies, GPO, 1900.

Humphreys, Andres, The Virginia Campaign of 1864 and 1865, Charles Scribner & Sons, 1894.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	37 ° 35 ' 48 "	77 ° 17 ' 21 "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	37 ° 35 ' 36 "	77 ° 16 ' 42 "				
SE	37 ° 34 ' 11 "	77 ° 17 ' 21 "				
SW	37 ° 34 ' 18 "	77 ° 18 ' 02 "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Virginia	51	Hanover	085
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Sandra K. Hellickson	
ORGANIZATION Richmond National Battlefield Park	DATE 11-01-72
STREET AND NUMBER: 3215 East Broad Street	
CITY OR TOWN: Richmond	STATE VA
	CODE 51

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

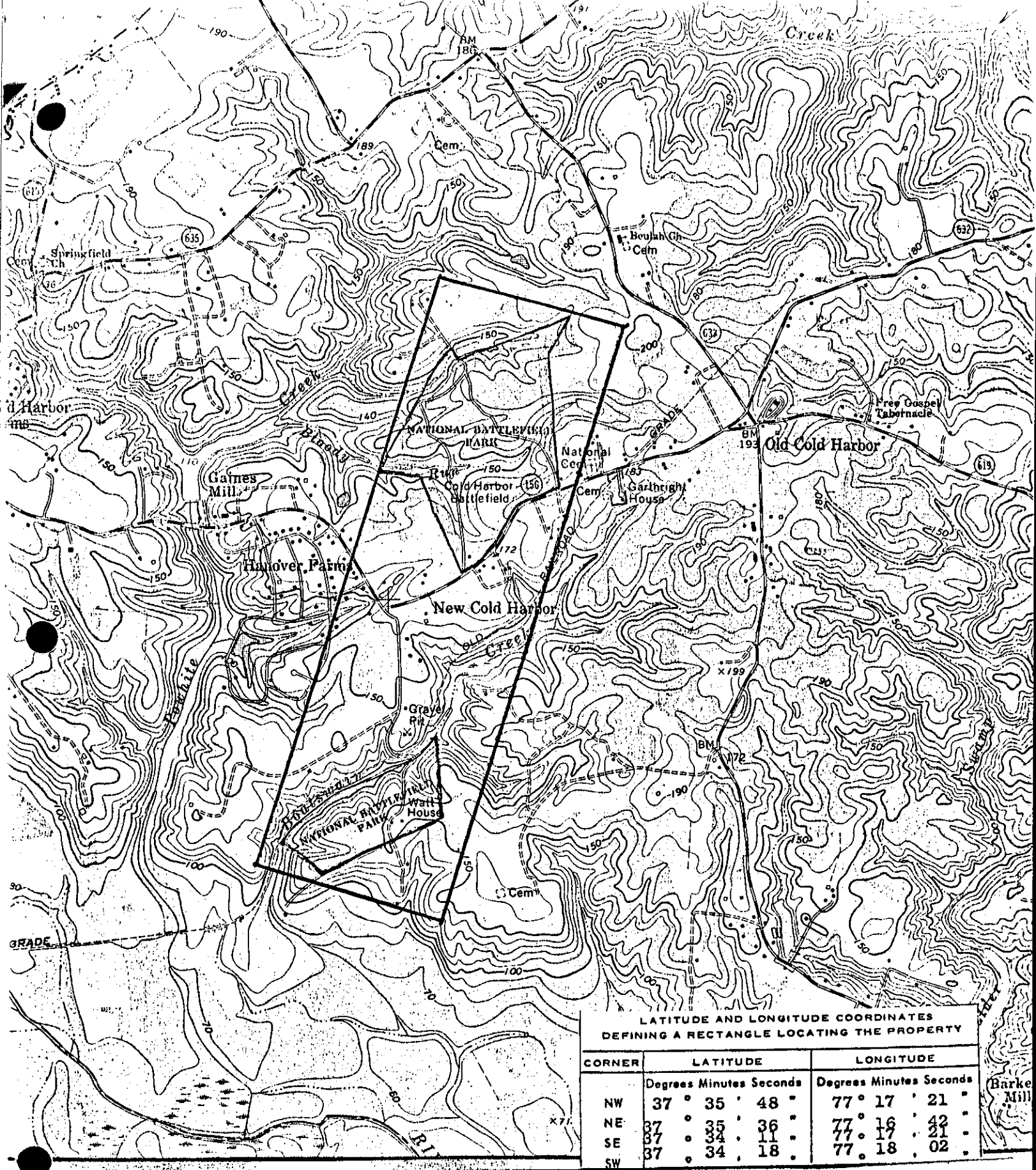
Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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SE	37	34	11	77	18	02
SW	37	34	18	77	18	02